PATENT APPLICATION

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For: REACTOR FOR SOLID PHASE SYNTHESIS

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Nutley, New Jersey 07110 January 21, 2009

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time. With the extension of time, this Amendment is timely filed.

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2008, Claims 1-11 stand pending and rejected. Claims 1-2, 5, 7 and 11 are canceled. Claims 3, 6, and 8-10 are herein amended.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows: